

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: :
Hiroharu Kawahara : Confirmation No.: 1684
Serial No. 10/591,521 : Group Art Unit: 1656
Filed: September 1, 2006 : Examiner: Kim, Alexander D.
For: HUMAN CELL STRAINS FOR PROTEIN PRODUCTION, PROVIDED BY
SELECTING STRAINS WITH HIGH INTRACELLULAR PROTEIN AND
MUTATING WITH CARCINOGENS

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Mail Stop Amendment
Commissioner for Patents
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This is a response to the restriction requirement mailed in the Office Communication on November 23, 2007 in the above identified application. Applicants elect the invention that the Examiner has designated as Invention I (claims 1-7 and 20-21), directed to a human cell strain enabling the continuous production of a desired protein with high efficiency.

The Office Communication set forth a one-month shortened statutory period for reply. This response is timely filed and is fully responsive to the Office Communication.

Claims begin on page 2.

Remarks being on page 4.